

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Philip Hammon (Hamman) S30452

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State of Kentucky Montgomery County Sct.

On this 19th day of October 1819, before me the subscriber, one of the Judges for the State aforesaid, personally appeared Philip Hammon aged about sixty-six years, who being by me first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following statement and declaration in order to obtain the provision made by the late act of Congress entitled "an act to provide for certain persons engaged in the land and naval service of the United States in the revolutionary war;" That he is a resident of Montgomery County and State of Kentucky; and that he was enlisted for three years at Green Briar [Greenbrier] County in the State of Virginia in the spring of the year 1776 as well as he can now recollect the time by one Captain Matthew Arbuckle and served in the company commanded by the said Captain Matthew Arbuckle of 12th Regiment Virginia line on Continental establishment. That shortly after his enlistment he was marched to Fort Pitt and from thence to Fort Randolph at the mouth of the Kanhawa River [Kanawha River] where he remained until his term of service expired, that he served in the said Corps or in the service of the United States in the Continental Army against the common enemy, until about the ___ day of ___ 1779 as well as he recollects when he was honorably discharged from Service at Fort Randolph in the State of Virginia, that he was in service 3 years and was in no battle of any distinction, that he is in reduced circumstances and stands in need of the assistance of his country for his support, that he has lost his discharge, and has no evidence in his power of his service and discharge other than the testimony of Alexander Reed which is transmitted.

Sworn and declared before me the day & year aforesaid

S/ Eli Shortridge, Circuit Judge

Alexander Reed¹ being first sworn states – That in the spring of the year 1776 as well as he now recollects at Greenbrier County in the State of Virginia, the above named Philip Hammon & myself were enlisted by Captain Matthew Arbuckle and served in the Company of the said Captain Matthew Arbuckle of the 12th Regiment, Virginia line and Continental establishment, that shortly after our enlistment, we were marched to Fort Pitt, and from thence to Fort Randolph at the mouth of the Kanawha River, where that the said Philip Hammon remained until his term of service expired, That the said Hammond served in the said Corps or in the service of the United States in the Continental Army against the common enemy until about the ___ day of ___

¹ Sic, [Alexander Reid S36872](#)

1779 as well as he recollects when he was honorably discharged from the service at Fort Randolph in the State of Virginia, that the said Hammond was in service about three years.

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Owsley County, State of Kentucky, SS

(Application of James Hammon Administrator)

On this 2nd day of June 1856 personally appeared before the undersigned County Judge, in and for the County of Owsley, and State of Kentucky, James Hammon Administrator a resident of said County and after being duly sworn according to law, states upon his oath. I am the son of Philip Hammon of Montgomery County Kentucky, who was an applicant for a pension under the act of Congress of the 18th March 1818, and if my father ever drew any amount of money under said act or any other act he is not aware [of] it, but his information is he did not. In the year 1821 or 1822 I moved to Jackson County, Alabama with my father and mother as they were then both living. I lived there about 12 months and as it became so sickly I moved back to Montgomery County Kentucky. My father did not move back, but remained in that County and state. He lived in about 12 miles of Bellefonte the County seat and died there on the 3rd day of August 1832. Thomas L Roach wrote his will which was made or spread in the Clerk's Office upon record after his death, according to the laws of that state. There is none of his heirs now living in Jackson County Alabama but nearly all of them lived in Kentucky. I was born on the 26 day of August 1787 –

I went back to Jackson County a short time after my mother's death (she died on the 28th January 1842) and I then, and there took from the will, and other reliable sources the time that they both died, on a scrap of paper (a memorandum) which paper has never been out of my possession; and I herewith file the same and make it part of the statement. My father Philip died leaving the following

[marginal note: "I went back to settle up the estate of my mother and father and took powers of attorney from a number of my brothers and sisters here in Kentucky in order to get their interest and I cannot be mistaken as to the time of his death"]

surviving children to wit, Polly Hammon, William Hammon, Elijah Hammon, Sally Hammon, Philip Hammon Jr., and James Hammon. There was other children but they are dead. The above mentioned ones are all over 21 years. My mother's name was Christina. I have been duly appointed the administrator of my father Philip Hammon deceased, having executed a bond with security that the court deemed ample and sufficient. That the death of my father and mother is on record in the Clerk's office of Owsley County. I was raised in Montgomery County Kentucky.

S/ James Hamman, administrator

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*Philip Hammon Deceased. 11
The third day of August 1832
Christina Hammon 13
Deceased on the 28 of January
1842*

[pp 12-14: family register:

John Hammon born August the 19 1781

Nancy born November the 19 1783

Polley born August the 4 1785

Jas [James] born August the 26, 1787

Elizabeth born the 23 November 1790

Salley born December the 23 1792

Selas [Cela] born April the 13 1794 deceased March 1823

William born June 26 1796

Elejah [Elijah] and Jesse born the 31 January 1799

Philip Jr. Born the 28 August 1801

Valentine the 21 [?] 1802

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This is to certify, that it appears from a list in this office of such Officers and Soldiers of the Virginia Continental Line as settled their accounts and received certificates for the balance of their full pay, according to an act of assembly, passed the November session 1781, directing the Auditors of Public Accounts to settle and adjust the pay and accounts of said Officers and Soldiers from the first January 1777 to 31st December 1781, (see Hening's Statutes at Large, vol. 10, p. 462,) that a settlement was made on the 20th day of December 1786 in the name of Philip Hammend [sic] as a soldier Infantry and evidence of the indebtedness of the State to him was £33.6.8, delivered to William McKee but as the original settlements or copies thereof or not to be found in this office, the term of service embraced therein cannot be stated.

Given under my hand at the First Auditor's Office, Richmond, this
18th day of July 1856.

S/ G. W. Clutter

Auditor P. A.

[No Seal of Office]

[Facts in file: veteran married Christina Cook in Greenbrier County Virginia in 1779; his pension certificate was number 16628; that the widow died in DeKalb County Alabama January 28, 1842]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$80 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, and ending August 3rd, 1832, for service as a private for 3 years in the Virginia Continental line.]

[From [rejected pension records in the Library of Virginia](#)]

State of Alabama Jackson County

This day personally appeared Phillip Hammon [sic] before me Joshua Wann one of the Acting Justices of the peace in and for said County and made oath in due form of law that he was [an] enlisted Soldier for the term of three years, Served one year as a private Soldier and then was promoted to first Sergeant for the remaining two years in Captain Matthew Arbuckle's Company, Served in the twelfth Regiment of Virginia. Enlisted under the aforesaid Captain Arbuckle and served his full time under the same the time of enlistment he verily believes was in the year 1776 and was discharged in the year 1779.

This sworn to and Subscribed before me this 7th day of December 1830
S/ Joshua Wann, JP

S/ Philip Hamman

Philip Hamman

I assign the within certificate to James Scruggs for value received of him this 7th day of
December 1830.

S/ Philip Hamman

Philip Hamman

Transcribed and annotated by C. Leon Harris.

[From [Library of Virginia Legislative Petitions Digital Collection](#)/ Greenbrier County – Hammond, Philip & Pryor, John]

To the Hon'ble House of Delegates of Virginia
the Petition of Philip Hammond & Jno Pryor [John Pryor VAS2025] Humbly sheweth

That the Certificate on the other side fully stating the nature of our Service; and emboldened by the generosity wherewith this State always rewards those who are Happy enough to render it any service, We our Petitioners Humbly pray the Hon'ble House to grant us a Gratuity in Land, in the Country to be laid off to the Officers & Soldiers, which will not only be a recompense to us, but also an Excitement to others to decline no Dangers in the Service of their Country when they find the same will be amply rewarded. And We as in Duty Bound will ever Pray.

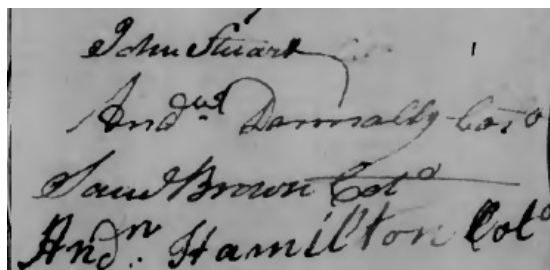
Green Brier Sc} We do Certifi that Philip Hammond and John Pryor by their Resolution & Vigilance rendered Essential service to this Country in the year 1778, when it was discovered at Fort Randolph [at present Point Pleasant WV] that a large Body of Indians had marched towards this Country, they with great and imminent hazard followed after them near two Hundred miles, and having overtaken them when almost arrived at the Inhabitants did at rique [risk] of their lives pass by and came and advertize us of their Approach, by which timely notice We secured ourselves, and in the Attack made by Indians on the Station at Colo Donnally's [about 10 mi N of present Lewisburg WV, 28 Mar 1778], they were by their Courage highly instrumental in repulsing them. By which services they not only merit our thanks but those of the State, as without their Information we had been surprized and this County a Barrier of the State been Ruined. Given under our hands in Green Brier this 18th May 1784.

John Stuart Col

And'w. Donnally Colo [Andrew Donnally]

Sam'l Brown Colo [Samuel Brown]

And'w. Hamilton Colo [Andrew Hamilton]



A photograph of a handwritten document showing four signatures in cursive script. The signatures are: John Stuart, Andrew Donnally, Samuel Brown, and Andrew Hamilton. The text is written on a piece of paper that appears to be a certificate or a list of names.

June 12th 1784 referred to Propositions/ (rejected)